

# Vote For & Re-Elect RICKY HAYWOOD Mayor of Elba

Mayor Ricky Haywood's first term as Mayor of the City of Elba has given the people of this great city the opportunity to witness the following fruitful accomplishments in just four short years:

- 1) Paving of Highways 84, 87, 125, and 189 by Alabama Department of Transportation (DOT)--both into and out of Elba.
- 2) Creating opportunities for business and industry, such as the Pizza Hut, Subway, Movie Gallery, Cash Brothers Leasing, Worth Tent, Aunt Bee's Bed and Breakfast, The Garden Gate, S&W Edger Works, All-Star Sports (and the list goes on) to either open or expand their operations in Elba.
- 3) Finishing a comprehensive storm drainage grant project from 1988 with paving and curbing in Mulberry Heights, after the citizens of that area had suffered from dust during the Summer of '92 and from mud during the Fall of '92 and Winter of '93.
- 4) Adding to and upgrading sewer systems on Reese Avenue, Teresa Street, Cedar Lane Drive, and Gibson Street in Elba.
- 5) Paving Taylor Mill Road from the 203 Bypass to the Elba City Limits in cooperation with the Coffee County Commission, and providing water service to those residents on Taylor Mill Road previously without city water.
- 6) Securing funding for a permanent floodwater pumping station in New Town, through working with Coffee County EMA and Southeast Alabama Regional Planning Commission, that will remove flood waters and excessive rain from inside the levee in order to protect families and property in the areas near Westside Baptist Church.
- 7) Securing funding and arranging for the construction of a much needed street and bridge on the Elba City School property with the assistance of Ft. Rucker, Alabama DOT, and Rep. Garreth Moore.
- 8) Working with Sen. Howell Heflin in Washington to secure appropriations in the amount of \$150,000.00 to maintain and service the levee, which--according to U.S. Army Corps of Engineer personnel--is in very good condition.
- 9) Securing a flood warning alert system to be monitored by a computer placed in our police department, through working with the Choctawhatchee-Pea Rivers Watershed Management Authority, that will assist our city leaders in providing quick and accurate information about possible flooding and related river level and rainfall readings to our citizens.
- 10) Securing a "COPS FAST" federal grant to provide one additional police officer to make daily contact with our senior citizens and elderly shut-ins to offer aid and assistance if needed.
- 11) Preventing the passage of a city income tax that would have penalized every person working inside the City of Elba.
- 12) Ensuring our citizens the lowest kilowatt hour and lowest base meter rates of any electrical supplier in our area (Elba is \$4.00 per month BMR and \$130.04 for 1st 2000 kwh; Covington Electric is \$6.50 per month BMR and \$148.04 for 1st 2000 kwh; and Alabama Power is at \$7.60 per month BMR and \$140.00 for 1st 2000 kwh). The totals (without taxes, etc.) for 2000kwh are Elba \$134.04, Covington Electric \$154.04, and Alabama Power \$147.60, so you can easily see that Elba's power is the best deal.

I have served YOU, the fine citizens of Elba, by being there when you have needed me, and NEVER QUITTING, whether in good times or in times of disaster, such as the Summer of '94, when I gave you updates on the condition of Pea River every 15 minutes so that you could make proper decisions that would protect your family and property.

So, remember, on August 27, 1996, go to the polls and vote for Ricky Haywood, the best and most qualified man for the job, to be your mayor--the mayor that has proven time and time again that he is truly a mayor "For The People". Thank you for your prayers and support.

## "FOR THE PEOPLE"

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BOE MEMBERS UNANIMOUSLY NAME RODGER BOWDEN TO HEAD COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM

## Reese resigns as Superintendent of Coffee County Schools

By Marvin McLwain, Editor

Monday evening's special called meeting of the Coffee County School Board was anything but routine.

Immediately upon convening the meeting at 6:00 p.m., Board Chairman Charles Walker requested that the board go into an executive session.

After approximately fifteen minutes behind closed doors, the board reconvened in open session.

Chairman Walker read a letter of resignation addressed to the board dated August 16, 1996 from Dr. James B. Reese, Superintendent of Education. Dr. Reese was not present at Monday's meeting.

The following is the text of that letter:

"I was honored to have been selected by you as Superintendent of Education of the Coffee County School System. I consider the school system to be one of the best systems in the state.

However, because of personal reasons I respectfully submit my resignation to be effective September 30, 1996.

I want to assure you that I will do my best to make the beginning of the 1996-97 school year a smooth one.

Thank you for the opportunity to have served in the Coffee County School System."

A motion was then made that Rodger Bowden be hired as Superintendent of Coffee County Schools under the same contract as extended to Dr. Reese. That motion passed unanimously.

The board adjourned shortly after approving Bowden's employment. Board members would not comment on Dr. Reese's letter of resignation after such a short time of employment.

Dr. Reese was hired by the Coffee County BOE on June 24, after

eight applicants had been interviewed for the job.

Prior to accepting the superintendent's job, Reese was employed by the Enterprise City School System as an administrative assistant to the superintendent.

Dr. Reese was contacted Tuesday morning concerning his resignation and his only comment, in addition to his letter of resignation, was, "I am very appreciative for the encouragement and support which I have received from people affiliated with the school system and also from those who do not have direct ties with the system. I am certain that the school system will continue to progress under new leadership."

He did not comment on his future plans.

Shortly after being hired by the board as the school system's new superintendent, Bowden made the following statement:

"The School Board has entrusted me with this system's highest position of leadership. I'm humbled by their support of me in this

endeavor.

I hope I can live up to the standards set by those who have been in this position prior to me.

I intend to give it my best and hopefully that will carry us forward."

Bowden has been in the Coffee County School System for the past 21 years.

He has served in the system's central office since 1979 as supervisor of instruction and director of vocational education.

Before coming to the central office, Bowden served as guidance counselor at New Brockton High School for three years and as principal of New Brockton Elementary for one year.

Prior to joining the county system, Bowden was a guidance counselor at the Elba Elementary School in the city's system from 1970 to 1975.



SUPERINTENDENT RODGER BOWDEN ASSUMES LEADERSHIP

## New jury venire law to be contested

By Marvin McLwain, Editor

Coffee County's new jury-at-large law is set to be contested in a court. A trial date of August 28 has been set in the Elba Court-house at 9:00 a.m.

Two of the county's attorneys, on behalf of their clients, are seeking to have the 1996 legislative act which requires that juries be selected from a county-wide venire declared unconstitutional in Coffee County.

The case will be heard by Pike County District Judge William Hightower, 12th Judicial Circuit Judge Gary McAllister appointed Judge Hightower to hear the case after all the circuit judges recused themselves.

An earlier motion by the Alabama Attorney General's office to dismiss

the case was denied by Judge Hightower, the act was expressly repealed.

In May of this year, State Representative Garreth Moore introduced legislation creating a county-wide jury venire. Here-to-fore, Coffee County, which is composed of two legal divisions, Elba Division and Enterprise Division, selected juries from venires composed of residents from the respective divisions.

The two divisions were created by a 1907 legislative act.

Shortly after Moore's 1996 Act was passed by the legislature, and signed into law by Gov. Fob James, an Elba attorney, Rick Spurlin, pointed out that it was possible that the 1996 Act had also done away with the dual courthouse system.

He noted that if subsequent legislation repeals a prior legislation, and there is no savings clause, the entire legislation is wiped out. Therefore, it is possible that the 1996 Act repealed the 1907 Act doing away with the dual courthouse system.

Others sources are quick to point out that the dual courthouses in Coffee County were established by an amendment to the Alabama Constitution which cannot be superseded by an Act of the Legislature.

Spurlin contends that neither the 1907 Act or 1996 Act has a "savings clause," meaning if one part of the act is found unconstitutional, the remainder of the act remains in tact. He said the 1996 Act states all laws

or parts of the laws which conflict with the act are expressly repealed.

Garth Lindsey of Elba and Stafford Pittman, Jr. of Enterprise, the two attorneys seeking the court action, filed a Bill of Declaratory Judgment on June 12 in the Elba Division requesting a hearing in order to challenge the constitutionality of the legislative act.

The attorneys contend that the Alabama Code provides for the selection of jurors from the area served by the court. Thus, the court in Elba serves the Elba Division and the court in Enterprise serves the Enterprise Division; therefore the jury venires for each court should be made up of individuals from the respective divisions.

Other attorneys who have joined Lindsey and Pittman in their effort are Jackson W. Stokes, Rick Spurlin, Jeff Kelley, Marty Marler, Matt Brunson, Debbie Jared and Mike Jared all of Elba; Paul Young, Rick Hollingsworth and Richard Waldrop all of Enterprise.

**THERE ARE TWO INDIVIDUALS REGISTERED TO VOTE IN ELBA'S MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON TUESDAY, AUG. 20, 1996.**

## Elba W&E Board holds short routine meeting

By Farin Cox, Publisher

The Elba Water and Electric Board meeting on August 6th was routine and short.

Chairman Tim Johnson reported that the electric power sales results during this hot weather season is very good. He said results in the water department is in line with the past couple of years. The water department continues to run a deficit.

The total of the delinquent accounts receivables are "not a very large figure," Johnson reported. He commended the office staff for their efforts to collect these accounts.

Board member Gladys Yelverton again voiced the often heard complaint of bad tasting water on Highland Drive. She was assured the problem was being checked by engineers and at least two proposals for relief are under consideration. The board is also continuing with efforts to develop a long range plan for extension of water lines into unsewered areas of the county.

Another electrical service truck recently tested bad recently. Estimated repairs are at \$1400. This will be to replace pins and bushings.

The board approved a request from Henry Clark to purchase a "Tree Cutter" to clean up under power lines. At a cost of \$4,000 under the state bid, this equipment to cut up to a 6" tree was approved.

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## Alabama's window tint law now being enforced

The Alabama Department of Public Safety reminds motorists that the state's window tint law is now being enforced on August 15 and is now being enforced by state troopers.

Troopers will enforce the window tinting regulations as part of routine traffic patrol and during driver license and equipment checks. They will use window tint meters designed to check the degree of window tinting.

All vehicles registered in the state must comply with the law's requirements by the effective date, or violators may face a fine of up to \$100 plus court costs.

The law provides for the following tinting standards: neither the front windshield, nor the side and rear windows may have more than 5 percent light transmission, with a 3 percent tolerance for error. Reflective materials cannot reflect more than 20 percent light.

**Multi-purpose passenger vehicles.** The windshield and windows to the right and left of the driver are subject to the same standards as passenger cars and station wagons. Darker tinting on other windows must be accompanied by outside rear-view mirrors to the right and left of the driver.

"This law provides greater security for law enforcement officers and enhances traffic safety by increasing visibility among motorists," said Col. L. N. Hagan, Director of Public Safety.

All newly applied tinting must carry a sticker of compliance affixed to the vehicle window by window tinting dealers.

Cars with existing tinting that meets the standards also should have a sticker of compliance. These stickers may be affixed by a tinting dealer.

For motorists who require special tinting for medical reasons, the law provides for a medical waiver upon application and certification by a licensed physician. This waiver permits tinting on the rear and side windows that allows 25 percent light transmission with a 3 percent tolerance for error. On the front windshield, the only area which may be tinted is the upper six inches.

For more details on the medical waiver, contact the Department of Public Safety, Driver License Division, Medical Records Unit, P.O. Box 1471, Montgomery, AL 36102-1471; or call (334)242-4239.

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**County's E-911 communications board meets**

The seven-member Coffee County Emergency Communications Board held an organizational meeting last Thursday.

Coffee County Emergency Management Director Charles Webb was elected to serve as board chairman. R. P. Flowers of New Brockton will serve as vice-chairman.

Serving as the board's public information officer will be Gloria T. Webb of Enterprise.

Gladys Martin was selected by board members to serve as treasurer.

A general discussion was held concerning required actions to begin the implementation process of county-wide E-911. Each board member accepted an assignment to be completed by the next meeting.

In other action, the board voted to direct GTE to start collecting service fees county-wide on the October telephone bills.

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## Elba City BOE approves six million dollar budget

By Farin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City School Board met in special session on Monday to hire two teachers and approve an operating budget for the coming year.

Nita (Calhoun) Stinson was hired to fill a speech pathologist vacancy at the elementary school while Mrs. Barbara H. Jones will teach math in the high school.

Stinson comes to Elba from Headland, where she has several years experience in this field. Mr. and Mrs. Stinson both grew up in Elba and will be returning.

Jones lives between Elba and Opp. She has taught 25 years in the Florida high school.

Both teachers come highly recommended by their previous supervisors.

The board approved a new budget of over six million dollars. The new shortened budget form approved by the state department for all schools is now only one page long.

State revenues are anticipated to total \$3,995,328; federal revenues are set at \$681,511; local revenues are estimated at \$1,168,275. These estimated revenues fall short of expenditures by \$122,307. The shortfall will be filled with funds left over in the current budget year.

Superintendent Charles Pearce

expressed concern for the deficit budget, but explained to board members that expenses are estimated high while the administration is conservative on anticipated revenues.

"We would rather do it this way than present you a pretty picture going in, only to have you face the bad news of a budget problem later," he added that some schools do it the other way, but they are also the ones who get by the most financial trouble.

A motion to dismiss the lawsuit against the Coffee County Commission concerning the county's Subtitle D landfill has been granted. Circuit Judge Gary McAllister's order was filed in the Circuit Clerk's office on August 13, 1996.

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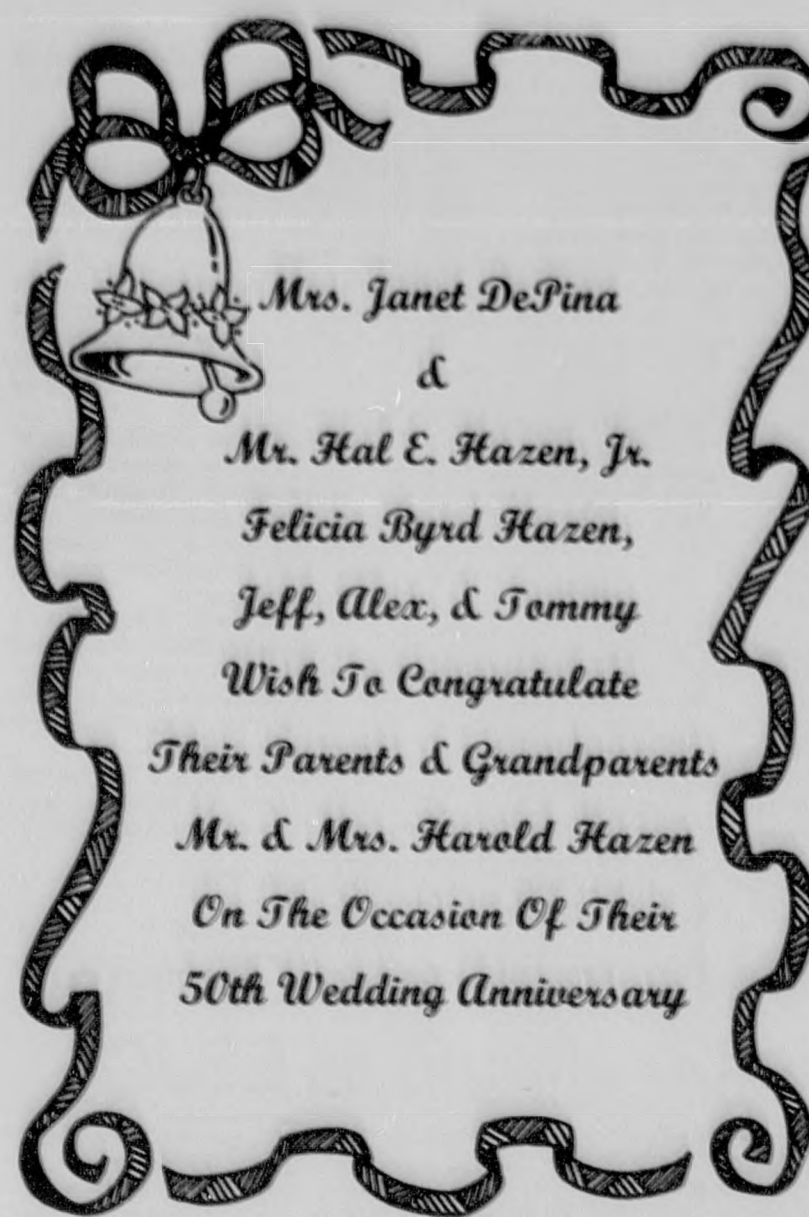
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Mrs. Janet DePina  
&  
Mr. Hal E. Hazen, Jr.  
Felicia Byrd Hazen,  
Jeff, Alex, & Tommy  
Wish To Congratulate  
Their Parents & Grandparents  
Mr. & Mrs. Harold Hazen  
On The Occasion Of Their  
50th Wedding Anniversary

## Social & Community Happenings

### Wells Family Reunion held July 27th

Descendants of a Zion Chapel Community pioneer couple, Benjamin Joseph and Lydia Mathews Wells, held an annual reunion on Saturday, July 27, and Sunday, July 28 at the Community Room at the SouthTrust Bank in Opp. The hours were spent in renewing relationships, singing, getting acquainted with new family members, telling favorite jokes and tall tales, and sampling each other's assortment of delicious foods.

None of the descendants of Arthur and Josephine Wells Fuller nor Frank and Ethel Wells Sunday attended.

Descendants of John and Lula Wells Kendrick who attended were Rev. and Mrs. Lamar Kendrick, Mr. Braxton Kendrick and Trey of Opp, Rev. and Mrs. Allen Norris and Bobby of Newton, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Bartley of Pembroke, North Carolina, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Judah and Rachel of Fort Walton Beach, FL, Rev. and Mrs. Fred Kendrick of Easton, Georgia, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kendrick of Griffin, Georgia, Mrs. Betty Kendrick Shaver of



Marli Victoria Falls  
Marli Victoria Falls celebrates  
3rd birthday

Marli Victoria Falls is the daughter of Marlon and Donna Falls of Elba. She will celebrate her third birthday on Saturday, August 24, with a party at the lake with family and friends.

She is the granddaughter of Barbara Ruge, Joyce Gnomes, and DeWese Falls, all of Elba.

Great grandparents are J.J. and Agatha Skinner and Velma Bradshaw, all of Elba, and Cora Falls of Northport, AL.

### Local student inducted into UA honorary

Outstanding University of Alabama freshmen were recently inducted into Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society.

Alpha Lambda Delta is a national honor society for students who have earned grade point averages of 3.5 or higher during their first semester or equivalent cumulative averages at the end of the freshman year.

Elena Strong of Elba was among the honored students.

### Mr. & Mrs. Ivey Daugherty to be honored on 50th wedding anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Ivey Daugherty are being honored on their 50th Wedding Anniversary by their sons, Pete, Donnie, and Joe Daugherty. The gathering will be held at their older son's home, Pete Daugherty. The location is 155 Larkin Road (Old Airport Road) Elba. The reception will be held August 24, 1996, 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. No formal invitations are being sent. All friends and family are invited to attend.



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DEADLINE FOR  
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90TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION...On the afternoon of August 17, 1996, over 50 family members and friends celebrated the 90th birthday of Mr. D.L. Padgett. Mr. and Mrs. Padgett's yard was colorfully decorated with streamers, banners, and balloons. The celebration began with a champagne toast given by Mr. and Mrs. Padgett's nephew, Mr. Mark Lee Melder. The blessing was given by Mrs. Erene Pool. Hamburgers with all the trimmings were served, topped off with a variety of birthday cakes. The festivities continued into the evening as Mr. Padgett opened his gifts.

### Parker Reunion scheduled for Saturday, August 31st

The descendants of Marion Jackson and Myra Mobley Parker will be holding the Parker Reunion on Saturday, August 31, 1996 at the Community Room of the Coffee County Farm Center in New Brockton, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Bring a covered dish and join in the food and fellowship. Ice and paper products will be furnished. For more information call Sue Parker at 897-2704.

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## Citizens of Elba...

### I Pledge to You:

- To keep the public informed on all matters that affect their lives when city government is involved.
- Establish a committee of concerned citizens from each district.
- To maintain an open-door policy at City Hall.
- To publish quarterly finance statements.
- Reduce excessive spending and over-time pay by better management.
- Work with the Industrial Board for more industry and business in Elba.
- Improve facilities for our senior citizens and handicapped.
- I applaud our area churches who have "youth activity centers", but there are many children we are not reaching. We are in desperate need of a place for our youth - (parking lots are not the answer).
- Establish a standard operating procedure for all disasters.
- Maintain a quarterly inspection of the levee, flood gates, and pumps.
- To work with the Chamber of Commerce to establish a beautification committee.

I have the determination, conviction,  
and progressive vision and with your  
vote and support we will accomplish  
these goals.

ELECT  
**Ronny Jinright, Mayor**  
Pd Pol Adv. by Ronny Jinright, 336 W. Simmons St., Elba, AL 36323

### Clayhatchee Assembly of God to hold revival services

Clayhatchee Assembly of God will be in revival August 26-28, 1996. The evangelist will be C.W. Mullis of Georgia, and the services will be held at 7:00 each night. There will be special singing for each service.

The church is located on Dale County Road 45, just off Highway 92 (was Hwy. 12), about 1/4 mile on Dale County Road 45 on the right. For more information call (334)598-8804.

### MUSTARD SEED FOUNDATION NEWS

The Senior Citizens held their weekly meeting with 7 members present. They were: Mattie Lou Goodson, Sis Wambles, Ruthia Blanton, Zealon Smith, Frank and Magdelene McCollough. The helper was Joyce Sanders. The seniors entertained themselves by playing

games and having fellowship with each other.

There were still several missing and were all missed. Other seniors are invited to join the fellowship.

The church is located on Coffee County Road 211. For more information call 347-4630, 897-6647, or 735-2453.

### 50th Anniversary FHA Cookbooks on sale now

Elba High School Future Homemakers of America (FHA) members are now selling the NEW 50th anniversary FHA Cookbook. The cost is \$5.00. See any Elba High School FHA member or call 897-2266-day or 897-2042-night.

The Elba City School system is in the process of identifying all children from birth to 21 years of age who are not presently receiving special education services. If you are the parent of a disabled child, and living in the Elba City School district, contact Harriette Boyd, Special Education Coordinator, Elba City Schools, at 897-2801.

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### NOTICE FROM ELBA CITY SCHOOLS

You can learn to rumba, cha cha, foxtrot, waltz, swing, and more with Enterprise State Junior College's Social Dance course. Prior dancing ability or prior instruction in ballroom dancing is required for this advanced special interest course. Registration is accepted only if you have a partner. Classes will be held on Mondays, September 23-November 25, 7:00-9:00 p.m. in ESJC's Student Center Multipurpose Room. There is a \$94.00 per couple fee and the registration deadline is September 17. For more information call 393-ESJC, ext. 234.

### Social Dance to be offered at ESJC

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## Views From ...

## THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mulatz, Sports Editor

It seems like girls age at the rate of about a year per week, and over the weekend our two girls continued their rapid ascent to maturity and declared that they wanted their own rooms. Both have had their own rooms for years, but have slept in separate beds in a downstairs bedroom. Melissa, now a teenager, said she wanted to start sleeping upstairs and was ready to make the move, while Melanie, now a seven-year-old, said she would stay downstairs and sleep in a room all by herself. I knew Melissa would make the move pretty soon; however, Melanie still likes to have a light on in the bathroom during the night and at least a couple of nights a week crawls in the bed with Mom and Dad. I'm for the move, but at the same time I'm afraid that the move might add a bed partner for us more than just a couple of nights each week. Oh well, here we go!

## NUMBERS ARE DOWN AT PREP FOOTBALL CAMPS

The high school football season will start in two weeks and that means that pre-season practice is well under way across the state. While the number of players has declined in recent years, it appears that the decline has really continued into the '96 season. Elba had over fifty varsity players in the spring, but that number is now in the thirties, while other schools are reporting low numbers in all classes. What has caused this decline? It is obvious that the kids have much more to do than play sports, and many are more interested in getting a job and buying a car than making the sacrifice that must be made to be a member of a sports team. Another reason is the lack of discipline in many youngsters of today. If a kid doesn't get disciplined at home, there is no way he will let a coach fuss at him at practice. Probably the biggest factor is that it is no longer "cool" to be an athlete. It is still cool to dress in style and have a nice looking car; however, just because a kid plays football or basketball means little to the other students. Times change, and those changes have hit athletes, at least at the high school level.

## TROY STATE MEDIA GUIDE HAS LOCAL INTEREST

Troy State's 1996 football media guide made its way to my desk this week, and while glancing through the 140 page booklet I was pleased to see the name of several Elba players on the roster and among the TSU record-holders. Redshirt freshman Bo Boyd, a 6-2, 285-pound, offensive tackle, was listed as a player to watch and was called the strongest player on the team with a 500-pound bench press, while signee Rudy Free, a 6-2, 220-pound, linebacker, was included among the incoming freshman class. Both former Elba Tigers will no doubt make their names known at Troy State and will help create a little interest for the Trojans down here in Tergtown.

While looking through the list of Troy State football records, the first thing that caught my eye was a full page photo of Elba's Ted Horstead taking a handoff from quarterback Mike Turk. Horstead is the Trojans' "All-Time" leading rusher with 2,677 yards during his three year career. Horstead was a fullback in the Trojans wishbone attack and made a career of running over would-be tacklers.

## NOTES IN CLOSING...

\*\*\*I made it over to the Dixie Youth World Series one night last week in Dothan and was impressed with both the play of the youngsters and the overall atmosphere of the park. The kids showed why their teams won state titles and made the trip to the Series, while the fields were immaculate and the atmosphere was electric. It was truly an event to remember for the participants and everyone involved.

\*\*\*The sprinkler system is now installed at both ballparks at Legion Field and the plans are for the sod to be put down this week on both fields. The change to grass infields and the installation of sprinklers has been a real chore for everyone involved; however, when the season starts next season and everyone sees the improvements, the work will reap its rewards.

\*\*\*If the name "World Series" gets you excited, next summer will really be an exciting time for area baseball and softball fans. Enterprise has been chosen to host the 1997 Dixie Pre-Majors Baseball World Series and will host a 12-team tournament for boys ages 15-16. While the boys are playing in Enterprise, the girls will be playing softball over in Ozark as the City of Ozark has been chosen to host the 1997 Dixie Belles Softball World Series. This 12-team softball tournament will be for girls ages 13-15 and will draw teams from across the Southeast. With Dothan hosting this year's Dixie Youth World Series, it looks like the Wiregrass is fast becoming the "Series Capital" for Dixie Youth sports.

\*\*\*A lot of Elba fans have kept an eye on what is happening down in Geneva since former Elba grad Levey Boutwell took over the football reins at Geneva High School. Boutwell has now been named the Athletic Director at the GA school, and that means that he will work to make certain the entire sports program is second to none. It hurts a little to see Boutwell down in Geneva; however, there is no doubt they have the right man to turn the program around.

\*\*\*It was interesting to read that the Auburn defense dominated the first scrimmage of the pre-season up at the Plains. Coach Bill Oliver made a name for himself and his defenses while at Alabama, and after just two weeks already is making the headlines. The news of Auburn's defensive rise is good news to the Tiger fans, and news many Bama fans have read about.

\*\*\*The Elba teams in the Tri-County Football League will swing into action on August 31 and will get a one week headstart on the high schools across the state. The teams and their coaches have been hard at work for quite some time and deserve your support. The Elba teams play at Miller Stadium on Saturday nights, and we'll print their schedule as soon as we get one.

\*\*\*The Elba Athletic Club held its annual pre-season cook-out recently and the turnout was nothing less than pathetic! I know that Elba fans will reach down to their pockets and join the Athletic Club and travel with the team to the games; however, the fans need to let the players and coaches know they are true fans, and their attendance at the cook-out would have been greatly appreciated. C'mon fans, let 'em know you support 'em!!!!

\*\*\*Back to Troy State for just a minute...Troy State must be an attractive place to players from all over the nation, as this year's media guide included at least seven players that transferred to TSU after starting their careers elsewhere. The transfers came from such schools as Florida State, Ohio State, Auburn, Tennessee, Vanderbilt, Utah State and Eastern Michigan.

## To the People of District 5:

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## SPORTS

## As second week of drills conclude

## Elba Tigers ready to start hitting

Elba's Coach David Lowery began his second year as the Tigers' head man last week and was optimistic after having 38 players report for the opening of pre-season football practice.

"We had 45 players go through spring training," said Coach Lowery, "but we pretty much knew who to expect after the off-season program and feel like with 38 players we are pretty well set."

"We had our best off-season program in years," added Lowery, "and have five players benching over 300 pounds. We opened the weight room twice a week and averaged around 30 players each night. The players were willing to work and I feel like this team will be a close knit group due to all the hours they spent together in the summer."

The Tigers went out in shorts the first three days of drills and worked primarily on special teams and agility, as well as extensive conditioning.

"Every player on the team went through the spring and knew what we expected," said Coach Lowery. "We put on the pads Thursday and did a little hitting, but we went kind of slow the first two days and tried to get the players used to being back in pads. I think it helped that school started the first day of practice in that it helped solve any transportation problems, and all the players were in school and ready to work. The new block schedule will also help in that we have all the varsity players in physical education at 1:30, and the extra time will allow us to get in more work in the weight room during the season and also get in some of the classroom work that is so vital, but also takes up so much time."

"This week we plan on picking up the pace and doing some hitting in the alley and in live work," said the Elba head coach. "We hope to hold a scrimmage by the end of the week and let the players do some real hitting. We are in good shape as a team, but we aren't ready to play, and the only way to get ready is to hit and get hit. We'll spend a lot of time on offense, defense and special teams, and try to make sure the players understand what we are doing as we go."

"It was a short summer for the players," added Lowery, "but I was ready for practice to start and feel like the players were ready."

## Success of off-season program already paying big dividends at New Brockton

The New Brockton Gamecocks began pre-season football practice with two-a-days last week and although numbers are down in the Gamecock camp, Coach Keith Thrasher is convinced that his team is better than it was in the spring and will be an improved team this season.

"We are down in numbers and only have 25 varsity players, including ninth graders and one eighth grader," said Thrasher. "While that number is low, it is higher than in the spring, and we just have to do the best with what we've got. We knew the numbers would be down due to a very small junior and senior class, and saw this coming three years ago. The experience level is down, but the four seniors we have are doing a

tremendous job and providing the leadership that is so badly needed with such a young team."

One reason for Coach Thrasher's optimistic attitude is the Gamecocks' off-season program, and it's acceptance by the players. "We opened the weight room twice a day during the summer, five days a week, and averaged having 25-28 players coming in to work every day," added Thrasher. "We still aren't real big, but we are bigger and stronger than we were in the spring and have one player that has squatted over 375 pounds. The players worked on weights and also worked on agility during the off-season, and we are also a little quicker than we were."

"The first week of practice started off well and ended average,"

## Tuesday nights at Hardee's will benefit Elba Recreation Dept.

Every Tuesday night during the month of September will be "Recreation Night" at Hardee's, of Elba, as the local Hardee's franchise will donate twenty-percent of its receipts collected during the event to the Elba Recreation Department.

Volunteers from the Elba Recreation Department will serve as greeters, dining room servers and hosts in assisting Hardee's customers during the event.

The fundraising effort will apply to all Hardee's menu items purchased on the special nights from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., including hamburgers, fried chicken and specialty sandwiches. To receive credit, customer receipts must be placed in a special collection box located inside the restaurant.

"Hardee's contacted us concerning the special benefit night," stated Elba Recreation Director Ricky Muller, "and it seemed like a fantastic way to raise funds for the department. We can't solicit customers inside the building during the hours of the event, but we hope that every single customer will drop their receipts into the collection box and help the Recreation Department."

## Ronald McKinnon named MVP of "Team of Quarter Century"

Throughout its first twenty-five years of existence, the Gulf South Conference has established itself as the most successful football conference in the nation in NCAA Division II, winning eight of the last thirteen national championships and posting more playoff wins than any other conference.

Recently, the conference honored the players that helped establish that reputation, naming the Gulf South Conference "Football Team of the Quarter Century."

While the honored squad includes players from eleven member schools over the twenty-five year span, the squad is dominated by the University of North Alabama with fifteen selections.

UNA head coach Bobby Wallace, who has led the Lions to three straight national championships, was selected as the "GSC Coach of the Quarter Century," while Elba's

Ronald McKinnon, another UNA product, was selected as the "GSC Defensive Player of the Quarter Century."

McKinnon was an All-GSC pick in 1992, 1993, 1994 and 1995 and a Division II All-American in 1993, 1994 and 1995. He won the Harton Hill Trophy as the NCAA Division II College Football Player of the Year in 1995, and was only the third player in GSC history to be a four time first-team All-GSC pick. He was only the fifth player in Division II history to be a three time consensus All-American.

McKinnon was the leading tackler in UNA history and Gulf South Conference history; the GSC Defensive Player of the Year in 1994 and 1995; the Alabama State Amateur Athlete of the Year in 1995; and starred on UNA teams that compiled an overall record of 48-5-1 during his four-year career.

## Elba to host softball tournament

A non-sanctioned men's softball tournament will be held on Saturday, Aug. 24, at Hawkins-Williams Park in Elba. The entry fee is \$100 per team and teams will hit their own MSF47 softballs. The home-run limit will be 3 and an out, with no

ejections. Trophies will be awarded to the Top 3 teams, with 1-shirt to the members of the winning team. Deadline to enter is 12:00 (noon) on Thursday, August 22. For more information, or to enter, call Elba Recreation 897-6833 or Jeff Goodson at 794-6649.

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(Vote for One)

**FOR CITY COUNCIL, DISTRICT NO. 3**  
(Vote for One)

**FOR CITY COUNCIL, DISTRICT NO. 5**  
(Vote for One)

**THESE OFFICES RUN BY DISTRICT**

This is a common ballot, however, some offices will appear only in certain precincts which will apply to your district or beat.

## ESJC Fall Quarter registration is underway

Enterprise State Junior College's 1996 Fall Quarter registration is underway. Anyone interested in registering for classes may do so now. Some popular courses reach maximum enrollments early, so registering early may help assure students get into some of these classes. First time freshmen are required to take

## College Days for Retired Persons planned for Sept. 5 &amp; 6

College Days for Retired Persons returns by popular demand to Enterprise State Junior College on Thursday and Friday, September 5 and 6. Retired persons enjoy two days of educational and leisure activities ranging from arts and crafts to family life and consumer issues. This program is offered in cooperation with the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service - Coffee, Dale, and Geneva counties, and Senior Friends. The sessions begin at 9:00 a.m. and last until 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, and until 1:00 p.m. on Friday. The \$25.00 fee includes two luncheons. There is a registration deadline of August 28. For more information call 394-395 ESJC, ext. 224.

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**GRIMES**  
For Mayor

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## Coffee County Stockyard Report

Reported by Alabama & U.S. Dept. of Agriculture  
Rommie Vaughan - (205) 897-8053

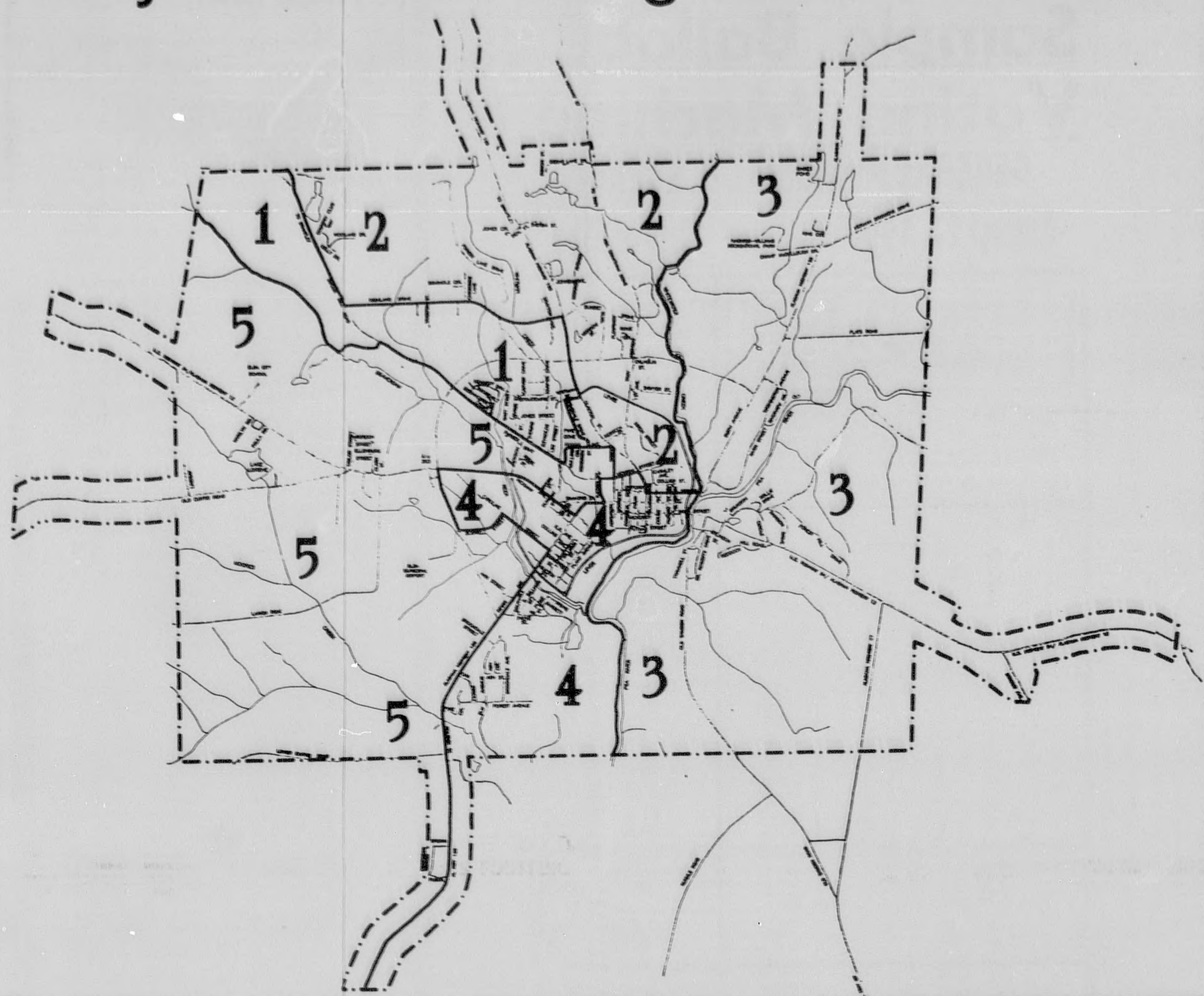
**AUGUST 15, 1996**

	Cattle & Calves	Hogs
Salable Receipts (Est.)	625	300
Week Ago (Actual)	478	205
Year Ago (Actual)	248	342

**BREAKDOWN**  
HOGS: Compared to week ago, Barrows & Gilts: 300-350 Lbs. US 1-3, 220-239 Lbs. \$1.00-\$2.50; 240-259 Lbs. \$2.50-\$3.00; US 3-5, 260-279 Lbs. \$3.00-\$3.50; 280-299 Lbs. \$3.50-\$4.00; 300-319 Lbs. \$4.00-\$4.50; 320-339 Lbs. \$4.50-\$5.00; 340-359 Lbs. \$5.00-\$5.50; 360-379 Lbs. \$5.50-\$6.00; 380-399 Lbs. \$6.00-\$6.50; 400-419 Lbs. \$6.50-\$7.00; 420-439 Lbs. \$7.00-\$7.50; 440-459 Lbs. \$7.50-\$8.00; 460-479 Lbs. \$8.00-\$8.50; 480-499 Lbs. \$8.50-\$9.00; 500-519 Lbs. \$9.00-\$9.50; 520-539 Lbs. \$9.50-\$10.00; 540-559 Lbs. \$10.00-\$10.50; 560-579 Lbs. \$10.50-\$11.00; 580-599 Lbs. \$11.00-\$11.50; 600-619 Lbs. \$11.50-\$12.00; 620-639 Lbs. \$12.00-\$12.50; 640-659 Lbs. \$12.50-\$13.00; 660-679 Lbs. \$13.00-\$13.50; 680-699 Lbs. \$13.50-\$14.00; 700-719 Lbs. \$14.00-\$14.50; 720-739 Lbs. \$14.50-\$15.00; 740-759 Lbs. \$15.00-\$15.50; 760-779 Lbs. \$15.50-\$16.00; 780-799 Lbs. \$16.00-\$16.50; 800-819 Lbs. \$16.50-\$17.00; 820-839 Lbs. \$17.00-\$17.50; 840-859 Lbs. \$17.50-\$18.00; 860-879 Lbs. \$18.00-\$18.50; 880-899 Lbs. \$18.50-\$19.00; 900-919 Lbs. \$19.00-\$19.50; 920-939 Lbs. \$19.50-\$20.00; 940-959 Lbs. \$20.00-\$20.50; 960-979 Lbs. \$20.50-\$21.00; 980-999 Lbs. \$21.00-\$21.50; 1000-1019 Lbs. \$21.50-\$22.00; 1020-1039 Lbs. \$22.00-\$22.50; 1040-1059 Lbs. \$22.50-\$23.00; 1060-1079 Lbs. \$23.00-\$23.50; 1080-1099 Lbs. \$23.50-\$24.00; 1100-1119 Lbs. \$24.00-\$24.50; 1120-1139 Lbs. \$24.50-\$25.00; 1140-1159 Lbs. \$25.00-\$25.50; 1160-1179 Lbs. \$25.50-\$26.00; 1180-1199 Lbs. \$26.00-\$26.50; 1200-1219 Lbs. \$26.50-\$27.00; 1220-1239 Lbs. \$27.00-\$27.50; 1240-1259 Lbs. \$27.50-\$28.00; 1260-1279 Lbs. \$28.00-\$28.50; 1280-1299 Lbs. \$28.50-\$29.00; 1300-1319 Lbs. \$29.00-\$29.50; 1320-1339 Lbs. \$29.50-\$30.00; 1340-1359 Lbs. \$30.00-\$30.50; 1360-1379 Lbs. \$30.50-\$31.00; 1380-1399 Lbs. \$31.00-\$31.50; 1400-1419 Lbs. \$31.50-\$32.00; 1420-1439 Lbs. \$32.00-\$32.50; 1440-1459 Lbs. \$32.50-\$33.00; 1460-1479 Lbs. \$33.00-\$33.50; 1480-1499 Lbs. \$33.50-\$34.00; 1500-1519 Lbs. \$34.00-\$34.50; 1520-1539 Lbs. \$34.50-\$35.00; 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# City of Elba Voting District Lines



**Fellow Citizens:**

As this may be my last communication with many of you before August 27th, I wish to share a portion of my agenda, if elected as your mayor:

**First Day in Office:** Organize and establish areas of responsibility for each council member. Determine authority of the mayor to administer day-to-day operations of the city.

**First Week in Office:** Meet with each department head, including volunteer fire department and rescue squad. Determine their needs and establish standing operating procedures. Begin work on a job description for each paid employee.

**First Month in Office:** After completion of job descriptions, meet with each employee to make certain they understand their job requirements and who is their first line supervisor. With council guidance, establish and prioritize routine maintenance and beautification needs. Determine most cost effective method of debt liquidation, including some type of closure for on-going law suits. Begin education of myself and the city clerk in every aspect of grant and low interest loan availability and application. Establish communication with the Alabama Development Office making certain they know that Elba is "open for business". Determine availability of city owned property which might be suitable for park/playground development.

**First Three Months in Office:** Meet with each industrial and business leader to seek out ways we might help each other. Begin cleaning of remaining old school property. At present, it is both unusable and a liability. Find prospective buyers. Establish a cost effective supply system for all commonly used parts and supplies. Determine a systematic method of up-grading existing utilities and services. Priority will be to improve our water.

The above is only a beginning. Allow me to repeat a quote from my original announcement for mayor: "All politicians promise as only as good as the entire voting bloc, but I do pledge to work closely with the council members in all matters." I will ask them to "watch me like a hawk." I simply must have their confidence if we are to maintain unity in government. With that intent, we will bring incentive and pride to Elba.

In just a few days now, each of us should go to the polls, sign up, close the curtain, and throw the switch. Those actions are a tremendous responsibility and must not be taken lightly. Our children and their children depend upon us to make the proper choices. It is essential that each of us study the qualifications of the candidates, look at their experience and background, and call them. Do whatever is felt necessary to help us make a educated final decision. Then, and only then, go vote for someone. *I sincerely hope your choice for mayor is Donnie Florence.* I promise your vote will be rewarded with full-time, clean, open, honest, and hardworking leadership. Thank you very much and together, LET'S MAKE ELBA A BETTER PLACE TO CALL HOME!

**DONNIE MORROW**  
Candidate for Mayor  
P.O. Box 105, Donnie Morrow, 1710 Highland Drive, Elba, AL 36523

**DONNIE MORROW**

**Candidate for Mayor**

Re. Pol. Adv. by Dennis Mumaw, 1710 Highland Drive, Elba, AL 36323

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## RE-ELECT JOHN W. SHARPLESS

**Elba City Council - District #2**

I pledge my continued efforts toward keeping prejudice, selfishness, and friendship from influencing my vote. All decisions by the Council should be based on what is best for the majority of the citizens, which is one of the reasons we love our Democracy.

With all of us working together in a positive way, we will build a better city and community for our children to grow up and live in. This is the basic philosophy by which I pledge to represent you and your views.

When elected, I will continue to ask for your ideas, suggestions and support on all city problems.

Your help, influence and vote is respected and appreciated.

## John W. Sharpless

**Candidate for Elba City Council, District #2**

(Pub. Pol. Ads. by John William Shannon, 705 N. Cherokee Ave., Elko, Ariz.)

# LIST OF QUALIFIED VOTERS, CITY OF ELBA, ALABAMA

CITY OF ELBA		DISTRICT 1		DISTRICT 2		DISTRICT 3		DISTRICT 4		DISTRICT 5		DISTRICT 6		DISTRICT 7		DISTRICT 8		DISTRICT 9		DISTRICT 10		DISTRICT 11		DISTRICT 12		DISTRICT 13		DISTRICT 14		DISTRICT 15		DISTRICT 16		DISTRICT 17		DISTRICT 18		DISTRICT 19		DISTRICT 20		DISTRICT 21		DISTRICT 22		DISTRICT 23		DISTRICT 24		DISTRICT 25		DISTRICT 26		DISTRICT 27		DISTRICT 28		DISTRICT 29		DISTRICT 30		DISTRICT 31		DISTRICT 32		DISTRICT 33		DISTRICT 34		DISTRICT 35		DISTRICT 36		DISTRICT 37		DISTRICT 38		DISTRICT 39		DISTRICT 40		DISTRICT 41		DISTRICT 42		DISTRICT 43		DISTRICT 44		DISTRICT 45		DISTRICT 46		DISTRICT 47		DISTRICT 48		DISTRICT 49		DISTRICT 50		DISTRICT 51		DISTRICT 52		DISTRICT 53		DISTRICT 54		DISTRICT 55		DISTRICT 56		DISTRICT 57		DISTRICT 58		DISTRICT 59		DISTRICT 60		DISTRICT 61		DISTRICT 62		DISTRICT 63		DISTRICT 64		DISTRICT 65		DISTRICT 66		DISTRICT 67		DISTRICT 68		DISTRICT 69		DISTRICT 70		DISTRICT 71		DISTRICT 72		DISTRICT 73		DISTRICT 74		DISTRICT 75		DISTRICT 76		DISTRICT 77		DISTRICT 78		DISTRICT 79		DISTRICT 80		DISTRICT 81		DISTRICT 82		DISTRICT 83		DISTRICT 84		DISTRICT 85		DISTRICT 86		DISTRICT 87		DISTRICT 88		DISTRICT 89		DISTRICT 90		DISTRICT 91		DISTRICT 92		DISTRICT 93		DISTRICT 94		DISTRICT 95		DISTRICT 96		DISTRICT 97		DISTRICT 98		DISTRICT 99		DISTRICT 100		DISTRICT 101		DISTRICT 102		DISTRICT 103		DISTRICT 104		DISTRICT 105		DISTRICT 106		DISTRICT 107		DISTRICT 108		DISTRICT 109		DISTRICT 110		DISTRICT 111		DISTRICT 112		DISTRICT 113		DISTRICT 114		DISTRICT 115		DISTRICT 116		DISTRICT 117		DISTRICT 118		DISTRICT 119		DISTRICT 120		DISTRICT 121		DISTRICT 122		DISTRICT 123		DISTRICT 124		DISTRICT 125		DISTRICT 126		DISTRICT 127		DISTRICT 128		DISTRICT 129		DISTRICT 130		DISTRICT 131		DISTRICT 132		DISTRICT 133		DISTRICT 134		DISTRICT 135		DISTRICT 136		DISTRICT 137		DISTRICT 138		DISTRICT 139		DISTRICT 140		DISTRICT 141		DISTRICT 142		DISTRICT 143	
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**CITY OF ELBA**  
**DISTRICT 3**

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EDWARD WALDON RONNIE EDWARD

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**CITY OF ELBA**  
**DISTRICT 4**

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BEAN	EDWARD LAMAR	HACK
DEAN	PEGGIE BARRELL	HADDY
DEEPRICE	HARRY P.	HADDY
DEER	WILLIAM T. JR.	HADDY
DEVINE	ESTELLE FURY	HADDY
DOODSON	CORA HELL	HADDY
DONALDSON	BILLY HERREN	HADDY
DONOHUE	DE LOE	HADDY
DRIGERS	JAMES KENNETH	HADDY
DRIGERS	PAULA ANN	HANNING
DYCKUS	HUSTIA ANN	HANNING
DYKES	HEL	HARBUT
ELLINGBURG	POSSIE G.	HARBUT
ENGLISH	ALINE P.	HARPER
ENGLISH	ROYD E.	HARPER
ENGLISH	ROBERT MORRIS	HARPER
ENGLISH	SUNSHINE GREEN	HARPER
FALLS	DEWESE	HARPER
FARRINGTON	MARION ALAN	HARPER
FLORES	LILA MARIE	HARPER
FOLEY	CHRISTOPHER DEANUELLO	HARSH
FORD	MARGHERITA STAC	HARSH
FRANK	WESLEY ALBERT	HARSH
FRAZIER	FELICIA SMITH	MARTIN
FRAZIER	NOAH D.	MARTIN
FULLER	JOSEPH R.	MARTIN
FULLER	BETTY P.	MARTIN
FULLER	GAMES MARVEL	MATTHEW
FULLER	JAMES R.	MATTHEW
FULLER	JR	MATTHEW
FULLER	MARY TIMOTHY	MATTHEW
GIBSON	GARY	MCCALL
GOODSON	CHARLOTTE MENDE	LAUREY
GOODSON	LORETTA FAY	MCCINTO
GRANT	RAYMON	MCCNEAL
GRANT	SHAPEN	MCCNEAL
GRANT	DEBORAH	MCCNEAL
GRIMES	GAIL GOTT	MCCOATE
GRIMES	BYRON JOSEPH	MEADOW
GRIMES	HUBERTINA M.	MEADOW
GRIMES	JAMES E.	MEADOW
GRIMES	JOSEPH LETH JR	MEADOW
GRIMES	LISA ANN	NEEK
GULLION	RETHA W.	NEEK
GULLION	DANIEL LYLE	MILES
GULLION	EDWARD LYLE JR	MILLER
GULLION	MAUDE R.	MILLS
GULLION	PEGGY A. HARPER	MILLS
GRIMES	RETHA W.	MOORE
GULLION	JOSEPH LYLE JR	MORROW
GULLION	EDWARD LYLE JR	MORROW
GULLION	MAUDE R.	MORROW
GULLION	PEGGY A. HARPER	MORROW
HALL	JOHN G. HART	MORROW
HALL	GLENDA ANN	MORROW
HALL	JUDY HOLMAN	MULARENZ
HALL	LORRA	MULARENZ
HALL	LORENE DEWISE	MURPHY
HALL	WILLIAM EARNEST	MURPHY
HARPER	FRED N. JR	MURPHY
HARPER	KATHERINE L.	MURPHY
HARRISON	ANN	MURPHY
HARRISON	CHARLES WAYNE	NALL
HARRISON	SHERYL ANN	NALL
HARRISON	TIMOTHY DAVIS	HAPPER
HARRISON	ANDREW	NELSON
HENDERSON	MATTHEW MCIL	NELSON
HENDERSON	DEIL	NELSON
HENDERSON	VALENTINE MOE	NELSON
HILL	ANN	NEUSTON
HILL	CATHERINE	NEUSTON
HOBBS	JANE LAUFORD	NORRIS
HOBBS	JETTERIE DAVID	NORRIS
HOBBS	JOSEPH L.	NORRIS
HOBBS	HELENA REBE	NUNN
HOBBS	CHARLOTTE B.	NUNN
HODGE	ALTON R.	OATES
HODGE	JANE	OATES
HODGE	TAMMY RICHLES	ODUM
HOLLEY	DEWEIGH B.	ODUM
HOLLEY	JOSEPH L.	ODUM
HOLLY	JOSEPH L. ESTELL	ODUM
HONYAK	BETTY NELL	ORAN
HONYAK	GEORGE MAX	OROWAY
HUDSON	BARBARA GRANT	PAGE
HUDSON	JOHN	PAGE
HUDSON	REGINA ROSE	PARKER

**CITY OF ELBA**  
**DISTRICT 5**

IKER	ALFRED A	PARKE
THORPE	FULFORD	PARKE
JACKSON	JACQUELIN PATRI	PARKE
JAMES	ALICIA JEAN	PARKE
JOHNSON	ANNETTE MERCER	PARKE
JOHNSON	ASHLEY	PARKE
JOHNSON	CONSTANCE GIZ	PARKE
JOHNSON	FAYE M	PATE
JOHNSON	FLORENCE	PATE
JOHNSON	GLEN D	PATRICK
JOHNSON	GLEN DONALD JR	PATRICK
JOHNSON	WILDA FAYE	PEARCE
JOHNSON	JAMES HAROLD	PEARCE
JOHNSON	JERRIE RAYBRUN	PHILL
JOHNSON	KYLE	PICK
JOHNSON	LIZ AUGUSTA	PIPPIN
JOHNSON	WILFORD W	POUNCE
JOHNSON	PATRICIA F	POWER
JONES	CAROL ANN	PRELACK
JONES	JOHN	PRELACK
JURASEK	GLOTTA J	RAYBO
JUSTICE	SARAH A	REED
KAHLE	VONNA NELISSA	REVELE
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## E-911

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One of the main objectives of Chairman Webb's is to establish contact with various mapping services.

Probably the largest task facing the board is to compile an accurate address, street or rural road, for every telephone user within Coffee County.

A mapping service will be contracted to accomplish this job. This has to be done in order to provide emergency personnel responding to a call for assistance with proper information in locating the emergency.

At the next meeting of the board, mayors from Elba, Enterprise, Kinston and New Brockton will be invited to attend. Tentatively, the meeting is scheduled for October 21, 1996.

## DHR

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It is unlikely that the food stamp program will be affected under the new reform package. The federal government will continue to administer that program.

Biddle states that at this point very little is known exactly how everything will work under the new program; however, she does know that it will take a lot of work.

"It will certainly be a challenge to an already understaffed agency locally," said Biddle.

She was quick to add that although the present workers are few in number they are high on quality and the task will be handled.

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## Citizens of Elba,

As a lifelong resident of Elba, I have some ideas about some things that I would like to see implemented during the next four years as your mayor.

- One of my first actions will be to work in harmony with City Council members to discuss key city appointments and reach mutual agreement before naming department heads.
- I would like to see our city settled down, with each department operating smoothly, and with progressive fiscal planning and management as our goal in order to provide good service for all of our citizens.
- I have previously mentioned my concerns about cleaning up the city, upgrading recreation, expanding and improving the quality of all city services, and there are still many other projects I feel are very important to our town.

- I want to work with the Chamber of Commerce, Industrial Board, and other civic organizations to recruit industry and retail businesses. We should make available all city resources to these organizations to attract such establishments.
- I will be aggressive in obtaining state and federal grants for our city. We will need the resources from these grants and I will do all I can to see that we receive them.

One of our most precious freedoms is the freedom to vote for the candidate of our choice. During the past few weeks, I have met most of you as I have gone from door to door soliciting your vote for the Mayor of Elba. I appreciate the many kindnesses extended to me in this race. I realize that I have been unable to see all of the citizens, so if I have missed you, please let me take this opportunity to ask for your vote and support on August 27. I want to be a positive voice for all the citizens of our great city. Remember to go to the polls on August 27 and vote for James Grimes as Mayor.

## REMEMBER -

**My Real Interest is in Making Elba Shine!**

**James Grimes**

Candidate for Mayor

Pd. Pol. Adv. by James Grimes, P.O. Box 551, Elba, AL 36323

## JOBS Class strives to help welcome clients become independent

Self-sufficiency and independence are the goals of the Job Opportunity and Basic Skills Program (JOBS) at the Coffee County Department of Human Resources.

With welfare reform and lifetime limits for the receipt of benefits on the horizon, the importance of the JOBS Program is becoming ever present. Able-bodied Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) recipients must work and the JOBS Program is doing all it can to make sure they have the right job hunting and job keeping skills.

Although job readiness activities have always been available, the effort is more intense now. Participants are being told repeatedly that their AFDC benefits and possibly even food stamps may end at some point in the not too distant future, thus making the need for job skills training and job hunting skills even more important.

Enterprise State Junior College has conducted numerous job readiness classes in the past, leading to employment for several clients. Now, JOBS Program Coordinator/Case Manager Jan Murray is also conducting job readiness classes so that more clients can participate and be moved from welfare to work even faster.

The Job Readiness Class focuses on self-esteem building, workplace ethics, policies, procedures, attitude, appearance, job application completion, resume writing, job search skills, and following up with prospective employers after submitting an application/resume and/or having an interview.

A recent graduate of the DHR Job Readiness Class left with much more confidence than when she began. "When I first came, I thought it was going to be boring. I thought it was going to be a waste of time," said Shandra Blackmon. "But, when I started finding out things about myself, like skills I didn't know I had, I started enjoying it. I think more people out there, male and female, if they have



**JOBS READINESS GRADUATE.** The Coffee County Department of Human Resources JOBS Program recently completed a Job Readiness Class. Shandra Blackmon, left, graduated and was presented a certificate and a free dinner for two, courtesy of Po Folks Restaurant in Enterprise. Jan Murray, right, JOBS Program Coordinator, was the instructor for the class.

a low self-esteem, (the class) can boost it. I would tell anyone if you are on welfare and you want to get off because you can barely get by... the JOBS class is a start and the best step you can take.

Miss Blackmon was fortunate to successfully complete the class and closed out her experience with a job interview with Dura-Cast, Inc. The company, which manufactures various miniature metal parts, and Personnel Manager, Mrs. Laura Batchelor, has actively played a part in teaching past and present job readiness participants about workplace ethics as well as providing an opportunity for each student to complete a real job interview. A complete evaluation is done for each interviewee and returned to the JOBS case manager so that any weaknesses can be addressed and hopefully solved.

## Understanding grain terms on bread wrappers

by Angela Hughes, County Agent

When buying a loaf of bread, do you take time to read the nutrition label on the wrapper? Better yet, do you know what the different grain terms on bread wrappers mean? Wheat is a synonym for white bread flour. "Stone ground wheat," "natural wheat," and "whole-grain goodness" are terms that may suggest to consumers a loaf has been made with whole-grain flour. However, that isn't necessarily the case. "Whole wheat" are the only words that mean for certain the wheat is whole.

Unbleached or unbromated signifies the product hasn't been treated with various agents that lighten the color of the flour and/or improve baking quality. Enriched means thiamin, riboflavin, niacin, and iron have been added to flour that has been refined. Old bran or oatmeal bread is wheat bread to which a little oat bran or oatmeal has been added. Degenerated cornmeal consists of corn grains minus the fiber-rich bran and nutrient-rich germ.

Wheat bran is sometimes put back into flour from which the bran has been removed in order to boost fiber content.

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District 5 Council Member

In October, I will have been enrolled for three years in a course of study probably not offered in any college. The name of this course would be: "Small Town Politics".

Not a trip to the grocery store, hardware, or ballfield was complete without several minutes spent discussing Elba politics.

If graded on the course at this time, I would probably receive an "incomplete" - not due to lack of attendance or participation; but rather due to the fact that the bell rang before the class was over! My desire is not to drop this course, but to continue until accomplishments can be made for our town.

It has been said that if you are not a part of the solution, then you are a part of the problem. A solution for many of Elba's problems would be more community involvement.

Please, not only consider me for re-election, but become involved in your town's betterment. Attend council meetings held at City Hall on the 2nd and 4th Monday nights at 6:15 p.m. each month and support your local government. Voter involvement is vital to the successful growth of our community.

Pd. Pol. Adv. by Bradley S. (Brad) Wilson, 2601 Hickman Ave., Elba, AL 36323

## Tips on keeping school lunches safe

By Angela Hughes, County Agent

As children return to school, many will be taking their lunches from home. If you or your child will be making school lunches, follow these steps to help ensure the food stays safe to eat.

Sandwiches and other typical brown bag components must be kept at the correct temperatures to prevent possible illness-causing bacteria from growing. Sandwiches with items such as meats, cheese, or mayonnaise can stay out of refrigeration about two hours and still be safe to eat. After that time, bacteria may have grown to dangerous levels and the food may not be safe to eat. Hot foods in a thermos must remain at or above 140 degrees Fahrenheit to remain safe.

To keep food at correct temperatures, follow these guidelines. First, put a frozen gel pack or a frozen juice box in the brown bag or lunch box. This will help keep perishable foods safe until lunchtime. Make sandwiches ahead of time and refrigerate so they are cold and at the correct temperature when you put them in your child's lunch box.

If you are using a wide-mouthed vacuum bottle to send either hot or cold foods with your child, prepare the bottle before filling with food. To keep hot foods at the correct temperature, just before filling, fill the bottle with boiling water and let it stand a minute or two. Make sure whatever you add is hot also.

If you're packing cold foods in a vacuum bottle, fill the bottle with cold water or ice and let stand. Empty the bottle before filling with food.

How to keep cast iron cookware seasoned well

By Angela Hughes, County Agent

If you cook with cast iron cookware, you know the importance of seasoning the cast iron. If you don't own or use cast iron cookware, you may not know what we are talking about.

Seasoning is something you have to do to cast iron; it doesn't come from the manufacturer already seasoned. Seasoning is a buildup of grease, which carbonizes on the utensil, turning it black, smooth and slick to the touch, with use. It takes many uses for the utensil to become seasoned.

Therefore, cast iron should not be washed in soapy water, other than the first time it is used. This first time will remove the protective coating put on by the manufacturer for shipping purposes. Soap will strip your seasoning from the utensil, making it necessary to re-season after each use.

Boiling water and a stiff brush are the key cleaning items, not soap or liquid detergents. Remove food immediately and while the utensil is still hot, wash in hot or boiling water. Wipe dry with a soft cloth or paper towel. The utensil should have a greasy appearance.

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MORGAN BRITT LEE WINS MAYOR'S RACE IN NEW BROCKTON WITHOUT RUN-OFF

## James Grimes and Ricky Haywood in run-off for Mayor of Elba

By Marvin McLwain, Editor

The voter turn-out in Elba's municipal election was heavy Tuesday. There were 1650 votes cast in the mayor's race which is 61% of the registered voters in Elba.



**JAMES GRIMES**

James Grimes and Ricky Haywood were the two top vote getters in a field of six candidates for mayor.

**THE VOTES IN THE MAYOR'S RACE WERE AS FOLLOWS:**  
James Grimes.....535  
Ricky Haywood (incumbent).....342  
Ronny Jirright.....286  
M. J. "Jack" Parker.....274  
Dennis Morrow.....165  
J. Larry "Popcorn" Gilbert.....49

There will be three new faces on the Elba City Council. The results by district are as follows:

**DISTRICT 1**  
Wenzell Gray.....144  
Gladys Yelverton (incumbent).....139

**DISTRICT 2**  
Wayne Haywood.....371  
John Sharpless (incumbent).....78

**DISTRICT 3**  
Harold Bannin.....154  
Earl McCollough (incumbent).....136

**DISTRICT 5**  
Ronnie Hammond.....230  
Brad Wilson (incumbent).....214

The councilman in District 4, Ben Carpenter, was unopposed. Voters will return to the polls on Tuesday, September 17, to determine who will be the Mayor of Elba for the next four years.

In the neighboring town of New Brockton, the mayor's race was decided from a field of four candidates without a run-off.

The incumbent, Kathryn S. Holley, was defeated by Morgan Britt Lee.

There were 312 votes cast in the mayor's race. This represents approximately 51% of the registered voters (609) in the Town of New Brockton.

The overall results of the municipal election in New Brockton were as follows:

**MAYOR**  
Morgan Britt Lee.....172  
James E. Driskel.....76  
Kathryn Holley.....54  
Dovall Jones.....10

**COUNCIL PLACE 1**  
Rodger M. Harrison.....60  
Douglas H. Smith.....31

**COUNCIL PLACE 3**  
Linda F. Gilbert.....27



**DEPUTIES HARVEST WEED CROP** - Last Friday afternoon, Coffee County Sheriff's deputies dropped by The Elba Clipper with their weed harvest - 25 marijuana plants. Deputies "harvested" the crop in northern Coffee County and estimate the street value to be approximately \$500,000.00 (\$2,000 per plant is the national average). On Monday, August 19, deputies had "pulled up" 14 plants also in the northern section of the county. Although no arrests were made at the time of harvest, deputies stated that it is possible an arrest could be made in the near future. Pictured with the "crop" are: Chief Deputy Patrick Norris (right) and Investigator Myron Williams. Lt. Leslie Hussey also participated in the confiscation of the plants.

## HAPPENINGS

**RUN-OFF FOR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.** Should run-off elections be necessary, they will be held on Tuesday, September 17, 1996.

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**NAACP OFFICERS' ELECTION.** All members of the Coffee County Branch of the NAACP are urged to attend the meeting to be held at 10:30 a.m. on September 7, 1996 at the Johns Chapel A.M.E. Church on the Geneva Highway in Enterprise, AL. Officers for the branch are to be elected. All persons interested in placing their name on the ballot as a candidate for an office, member of the executive board, or requiring additional information should contact Janice Horne at (334)347-7894 or Alma Haynes at (334)393-6747 before the date of the meeting.

**VIETNAM VETERANS MEETING.** Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc. will hold its regular monthly meeting at the V.F.W. in Daleville, AL on September 5, 1996 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting is open to the public. All veterans and their families are welcome. For more information call (334)347-1426 or (334)598-8864.



**RICKY HAYWOOD**

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Alabama State Troopers encourage motorists to buckle up, observe posted speed limits and obey all other traffic laws to help insure safe travel during the Labor Day weekend.

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In 1995, 16 people died in traffic wrecks during the 78-hour holiday period, six on rural roadways and 10 in urban areas. At least 11 crash victims died in alcohol-related accidents, and only three of the wreck victims were using safety belts.

Additional state troopers will be on patrol to arrest drunken and other dangerous drivers and to assist motorists. Federal overtime grants aimed at speed limit enforcement will fund increased enforcement during the holiday weekend.

Throughout the holiday period, troopers will conduct a line patrol that will involve saturation coverage



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\$20. Commissioners unanimously approved the committee's recommendation.

County Engineer Randy Tindell had three recommendations for the landfill committee for the commission to consider.

1) The Town of Brantley requested credit for use of the county landfill - Approved.

2) Tipping fee increases for contracts coming up for renewal October 1. They are: \$25.50 per ton for a one year contract; \$24.50 per ton for a two year contract; and \$23.50 per ton for a three year contract. These

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## NEWS BRIEF

Coffee County's new jury-at-large law trial has been continued. The case was scheduled to be heard yesterday (Wednesday); however, on Monday, Pike County District Judge William Hightower granted a motion for continuance from the Attorney General's Office.

Reportedly, the assistant attorney general assigned to the case had a scheduling conflict. The case has been rescheduled for Friday, October 11, 1996 at 9:00 a.m. in the Elba Courthouse. This means that in September, and possibly October, no criminal court cases will be tried in the Elba or Enterprise Division of Circuit Court.

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